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Attention: Secretary Postal Regulatory Commission

Re: Docket # A2012—48 appeal of the Postal Service's determination to discontinue the Elmo Post Office, Elmo Missouri 64445

We request a grant of waiver from filing on line.

The closing of the Elmo Post Office will put a huge burden on this community of elderly persons. Some have no transportation out of Elmo. They need to be able to go into the post office and purchase stamps, get boxes to mail packages, send mail orders etc.

If the mailman has to stop and do all those services at each home he will not be able to make the route in one day.

Can you imagine standing out in the rain, wind and snow and trying to conduct a business transaction? We need an office to go to and buy our mailing necessities.

Another thing would be all the medical needs that are supplied through the mail. We need someone in the office to attend to the problems that arise with the mail.

We need to keep the Elmo Post Office open for the citizens of Elmo and the surrounding community. It would be at least and maybe more than 24 miles round trip to get service at an office somewhere else. If that one is closed it would be 54 miles round trip for us to get to the closest one.

We feel the salaries and retirement payments have been set too high and that needs to be addressed.

Sincerely,

Larry and Sharron Ecker

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